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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/887,208 Confirmation No.: 8401  
Applicants : Brendon Conlan et al.  
Filed : June 22, 2001  
Title : **REMOVAL OF BIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS**  
TC/A.U. : 1753  
Examiner : Arun S. Phasge

Docket No. : 56104576-23  
Customer No. : 26453

Mail Stop 313(c)  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2)**

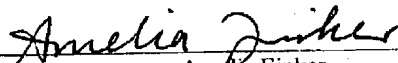
Sir:

Applicants hereby petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2) that the Commissioner for Patents withdraw the above application from issue for consideration of a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, in light of the fact that a Notice of Allowability was mailed on April 12, 2004 and the Issue Fee was paid on July 12, 2004, without an Information Disclosure Statement (to be supplied) having been considered by the Examiner.

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**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to Mail Stop 313(c), Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, at (703) 872-9306 and (703) 305-4257 on August 10, 2004.

  
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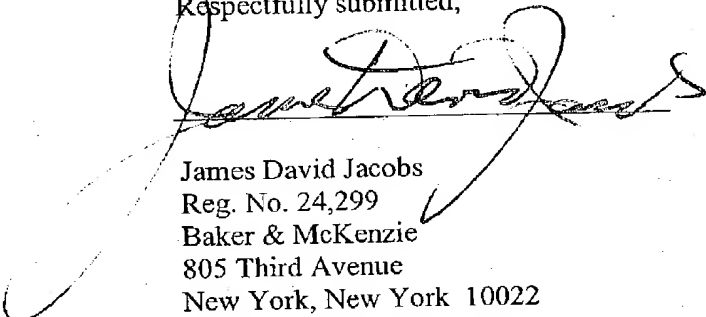
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RCE in compliance with §1.114 and is enclosed herewith. As the Information Disclosure statement contains voluminous references, it would be impracticable to submit these references via facsimile. In compliance with MPEP §609HIB(4), Applicants will thus supply the Information Disclosure Statement under separate cover before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner for Patents to charge the deposit account 02-0393 for the processing fee set forth in §1.17(h) associated with this petition. If any additional fees associated with this communication are required or to credit any overpayment, please use deposit account no. 02-0393.

Date: August 10, 2004

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